

# Bear Feats

By GEORGE DUNCAN

## Football, Frats' Sport

Intra-mural football is a must at all colleges. Mercer University is no exception to this rule. This sport is the most highly spirited of the fraternity games.

Quite a few schools furnish the intra-mural boys with full uniforms and a regulation game of tackle is played. Not so at Mercer. Here the uniform consists of tennis shoes, tee shirts, and an old pair of levis. The game is called "touch football."

## Touch Is the Mild Form

That, my friends, is the understatement of the century. Mass murder on the gridiron would be much nearer the truth. Indian stickball would look like gin rummy beside one of these frat contests.

Why, only three men were carried to the hospital when the Indians invaded Porter stadium in September. Mrs. Moody, the nurse for the Mercer men, has been so busy doctoring up bruises, scratches, charley horses, pulled ligaments, swollen knees and elbows, that she hasn't had fifteen minutes free time since "open season" on football playing started.

## What to Throw and When

So far, no rocks or sand have been thrown, only elbows to the mouth or mid-section. One boy threw an elbow so hard that it pulled him off his feet and into the stands.

Teeth are the main targets for elbows and fists, so if you want to keep yours either stay off the battle field or turn your head and get a broken jaw.

## Rules Save Arguments

The official "touch" is with one hand on any part of the body between the knees and the shoulders. However, it's usually performed in a more delicate manner. Both hands are doubled and punched smartly into the ball carrier at the best available spot.

This usually brings a little response from the stricken man, and before anything can be done about, both the fraternities have every available man helping out in settling the little squabble.

## The Game Must Go On

In spite of this behind the scenes play, some scoring is done and exciting action takes place throughout the game. All the games are hard fought, with old do or die spirit. The amazing thing about the contests is that after the well chosen words and well placed elbows are dished out and the game is over, both winner and loser show good sportsmanship.

The games are entertaining and if you haven't been watching them you have missed something. Come on out to the athletic field and root for your favorite frat team. If you don't particularly care for the fraternity teams, then holler for the Ministers.

In fact, you don't even have to open your mouth, but if you don't become a spectator at the games it's nobody's loss but yours.

Not every boy on the field is from your fraternity or organization, but he is a member of your school. Mercer needs much, much more school spirit, and there's no better place to develop it than on a football field.

# Phi Deltas Are Undefeated in Intramural Play

By Avon Bulice

Only one team is undefeated as intramural football enters the half-way mark this week.

Phi Delta Theta, still undefeated, is closely trailed by A.T.O., which has only one defeat on its record sheet.

In seven very exciting football afternoons all teams saw action and plenty of it as all teams buckled down for the final rounds of play.

Here is a quick summary of games played last week.

Phi Deltas bested Kappa Sigma in one of the best games of this first round Oct. 8. Phi Delt's fast backfield, and unusual blocking attack proved too much for the well-drilled Kappa Sig seven. This afternoon's play saw A.T.O. down S.A.E.

Oct. 9, Kappa Alpha overpowered a fired up Ministers' team, surprising both teams and spectators in a thrilling upset. Alpha Tau Omega won its second game of the season, besting Lambda Chi.

Another hard-fought game saw Sigma Nu best Kappa Sigma 13-12 in over-time penetration. Quarterbacks Lynn Fowler and Bob McCue directed the charge of two hard-hitting lines. Two other top teams met, laying on the line undefeated records as Kappa Alpha met Phi Delta Theta. Phi Deltas, with traditional running and short-pass attack, came out in front. The third game of the day saw S.A.E. beat Phi Kappa Phi.

A.T.O. kept their unblemished record as they put the Ministers down for their second defeat of the season in a very fast moving, well-played game. Phi Kappa Phi downed Lambda Chi, M.I.M.A. forfeited to S.A.E. to round out play for Oct. 14.

On the afternoon of Oct. 15, very much excitement was noticeable on each side of the athletic field as four evenly ranked teams met. This afternoon of play saw Kappa Alpha win a thriller 7-6 in over-time penetration. Defense played a very important role in each team's strategy as both teams had the offensive power to score any moment. Phi Deltas rolled over A.T.O. in what was expected to be a very good defensive game

# Nyimicz Cuts Squad; Bears Get Set To Retain Crown

since both teams up until that time had been unbeaten.

A.T.O. downed Sigma Nu 6-0 in another great defensive game. Jim Thompson pulled a pass from among a swarm of defenders in the end-zone to put up the score of the game. S.A.E. beat Lambda Chi. Ministers bested Phi Kappa Phi in two fast moving games.

Outstanding play thus far in the season has been demonstrated by: A.T.O.'s Jim Thompson—defensive play and pass receiving from quarterback Dub Flowers.

Sigma Nu's Homer Nelson—long distance punts and seemingly impossible pass grabs.

Phi Delt's Jesse Duckworth—outstanding defensive play and pass receiving.

Kappa Alpha's Sterling Sexton—Circus catches and all-around play.

Kappa Sigma's Lynn Fowler—calmness in quarterback slot.

Ministers'—Joe Watson, Charles McDaniel—all-around play.

Play resumes Thursday October 23, beginning the last half of the intramural battle. All games begin at 3:00 p.m.

Perspiration poured in Porter Gym today as Mercer's cagers hustled through drills, with an eye toward their opener with Furman.

The large, early-reporting crew of 35 had been weeded down to 23 by coach Nyimicz, and each one in the pack seemed anxious for a spot in the starting quintet.

Lettermen returning to the squad are Capt. Bert Schwartz, Macon; Co-Capt. Richard Reid, Macon; Tommy Mixon, Macon; John Hughes, Macon; John Jewett, Vero Beach, Fla.; Emory Wilson, Fort Valley; and Bill Harris, Cochran.

Members from last year's squad and junior varsity team include Bill Joiner, Macon; James Hughes, Macon; Vasil Hofflich, Bethlehem, Pa.; Jerry Massey, Macon; Nick Strickland and Donnie Young from Fort Valley.

Inman Veal, Macon; William Roberts, Clarksville; and Kent Hutchins, Adrian, are the three transfer students to gain squad berths.

Nineteen freshmen tried, and seven came through with the goods. They are Edgar Gallups, Pine Mt. Valley; Bobby Brown, Macon; Bill Green, Macon; Bobby Green, Douglas; Bobby Holliday, Rochelle; Bubber Wolfe, Macon; and Carl Wilson of Macon.

The Bears show promise of being the most colorful crew to hit the Mercer campus, and have the material to come through with an unblemished season. There are only nine upperclassmen among the well balanced group, two of which are seniors.

Home town talent seems to be the current thing among the basketballing Bears. Macon can boast of having twelve of the boys, and a majority at all times. From this group, Nyimicz could field a 12-man squad, capable of meeting any foe on this year's schedule with confidence.

By placing Schwartz at the pivot post, Reid and Mixon on the flanks, and the Hughes twins in the back positions, Nyimicz would have a quintet with speed, deception, and capability of pumping points and burning the nets from varied positions on the hardwood court. Inman Veal, Auburn University star for the past two seasons, and high point man for the squad both years, could fill in at any of the positions and add color and punch to court performers.

A group composed almost entirely of freshmen, capable of holding their own against stiff competition, would find Bobby Brown and Billy Green at guards, Bubber Wolfe at center, and Carl Wilson and Bill Joiner at forwards. This team, although lacking in experience could play an excellent floor game against anyone and would manage to score quite a few points in the process.

Bill Joiner, injured last year, is a senior and could add the needed experience to hold the young colts together in a tight ball game.

Bill is the only member of the squad who will graduate this year other than Emory Wilson. Emory, popular president of the Student Body, and captain of last year's orange and black, is expected to have the best season of his fine career. This being his last season as a Mercer Bear basketball player, he will go all out in an effort to place the Bears in the position of Dixie Conference champions again.

# Men Must File With Local Boards For College Qualifications Test

Applications for the Dec. 4, 1952, and the April 23, 1953, administrations of the College Qualification Test are now available at Selective Service System local boards throughout the country.

Eligible students who intend to offer this test on either date should apply at once to the nearest Selective Service local board for an

application and a bulletin of information.

Following instructions in the bulletin, the student should fill out his application and mail it immediately in the envelope provided. Applications for the Dec. 4 test must be postmarked no later than midnight, Nov. 1, 1952.

According to Educational Testing Service, which prepares and administers the College Qualification Test for the Selective Service System, it will be greatly to the student's advantage to file his application at once, regardless of the testing date he selects. The results will be reported to the student's Selective Service local board of jurisdiction for use in considering his deferment as a student.

# A.P.O. To List Blood Donors

A list of all potential blood donors will be organized by Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity.

The list will include the persons name, his blood type, and his telephone number so that he may be contacted in case of an emergency.

A poll of the Mercer student body will be taken in the near future and its results will comprise the list. The list will be kept in the office.

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